

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-11 (canceled).

12. (currently amended) A stacking column comprising two side walls (1, 2), a plurality of and latches (6) arranged between the side walls ~~on~~ wherein each latch is integral with a pin (7) which allows for rotation of the latches between a rest position into a working position, wherein at least some of the latches (6) have a cutout portion which exposes a circumferential surface of the pin, and a pin holder (8) having an arcuate inner surface (9) which only partially surrounds not more than half of the circumferential surface of the pin (7) in an arcuately curved manner.

13. (currently amended) ~~The [A] stacking column comprising two side walls (1, 2) and latches (6) arranged between the side walls on a pin (7) for rotation between a rest position into a working position as claimed in claim 12, wherein the latches (6) are assigned~~ cooperate with a locking device (14) which fixes at least some of the latches (6) in the working position.

14. (previously presented) The stacking column as claimed in claim 12, wherein at least two adjacent pins (7) maintain a distance from each other which is greater than and substantially

the same as a material thickness (s) of the latch (6) in the region of the pin holder (8).

15. (previously presented) The stacking column as claimed in claim 14, wherein the latch (6) is of single-piece design.

16-19. (canceled).

20. (currently amended) The stacking column as claimed in ~~claim 19~~ claim 12, wherein a stop lug (13) protrudes from an upper part of the cutout (11).

21. (currently amended) The stacking column as claimed in ~~claim 19~~ claim 13, wherein the locking device (14) moves in the cutout (11) of the latch (6) by means of a small rail (12).

22. (canceled).